Friday Update: June 7, 2002

#### **Mentor payments**

Payments of stipends to mentors in the Beginning Teacher Internship Program (BTIP) will occur after July 1. Currently, staff is entering the information from the Principal's Statements into the records prior to final verification of eligibility of the beginning teacher and payment to the mentor. Previously, payment of mentors has occurred in June. Checks will be ready to be sent to school corporations at the beginning of the new fiscal year on July 1.

## **Beginning Teacher Internship Program 2002-03**

The Indiana Professional Standards Board intends to continue the one year Beginning Teacher Internship Program for the 2002-03 school year. There will be a maximum \$600 stipend for each eligible mentor. Since we are paying two years of stipends from FY 2002 funding, the actual amount will be determined by dividing the remaining FY 2002 funds by the number of beginning teachers. The current rules and definitions for eligibility for the Beginning Teacher Internship Program apply for the 2002-03 school year. While stipends for mentors will be available, there will not be funding for reimbursement of release time. Enrollment information for the Beginning Teacher Internship Program will be sent to school corporations in September.

#### **Promulgation of Rules**

The public hearing on Rule 5 (establishing the process for obtaining a substitute teacher's permit) is scheduled for June 25th in the IPSB offices.

Rule 7 (defining the continuing education requirements for the renewal of a various types of licenses) is currently in the drafting process.

#### **Implementation Timeline**

The IPSB continues to phase in the standards-based, performance-based system of educator preparation and licensing. The attached timeline shows how the different parts of the system will be implemented. For example, we continue to approve mentor training programs and to train scorers in anticipation of implementing the staged license and the beginning teacher support and assessment program. The timeline is also on our web site www.in.gov/psb

#### Portfolio scorers training

Portfolio scorers training for June is full, but those interested in this training may obtain registration materials and request to be contacted with information about future training opportunities via e-mail at BTAP@psb.state.in.us. The portfolio will be required at the end of the two-year support and assessment of beginning teachers program.

# INDIANA PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD

#### National Board Certification in Indiana

The pace of recruitment of Hoosier teachers seeking national certification in Indiana is really picking up with a promise of 20 from Indianapolis Public Schools and 6 from MSD Lawrence Township. Check this space next week for more information regarding certification subsidies.

# **Questions? Try e-mail**

The summer is the busiest time for the Licensing Division. Often our phone lines are overwhelmed with callers. During the month of May, the IPSB received 4,435 calls. Remember, assistance is also available via e-mail at <a href="https://helpdesk@psb.state.in.us">helpdesk@psb.state.in.us</a>.

### Did you know?

In the first five months of 2002, the Division of Licensing received over 10,000 applications. Activity picks up in May, June, July, and August.

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Year-to-Date:	6/3/02
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Month	2002
Jan	1,623
Feb	2,066
Mar	1,879
Apr	2,012
May	3,138
Total	10,718

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